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# FIRST BRUSH IN THE FALL

Very Interesting Campaign Just Opening Up.

SENATORIAL CANDIDATES

They Will Strive to Capture State Sena ators, Who Will Hold Over and Vote for Martin's Successor-County Officers and House Members.

The people of Virginia are about to embark upon one of the most unique and interesting campaigns ever fought in its history and it promises to fairly bristle from start to finish with events of public

There are many conditions surrounding the coming struggle which will tend to give it life and make it unlike any of which have preceded.

One is, that owing to Constitutional changes, all the county and district officers will be chosen at the regular fall if not in the entire history of the State House of Delegates and half of the State

Another is the fact, that for like rea sons, the campaign will be conducted for the last time under the old and almost macred surroundings and influences of the monthly County Court system, which betion, before the time for another battle arrives. But there are still other interesting features, which will give animation to the struggle and make it lively all the way through.

The result of the election of the sens tors to be chosen will have an important bearing upon the coming contest for United States senator in 1905, and those elected will hold for four years and will therefore vote for a successor to Senator

therefore vote for a successor to Senator Thomas S. Martin, whose term expires, on March 3, 1807, but whose place will be filled by the Legislature which will meet in the winter of 1805.

A WARM STRUGGLE.

This fact of itself will tend to make the State senatorial primaries warm up this summer and fall, as each of the opposite factions will naturally strive to capture as many of the nominees as possible.

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Already cardidates are being picked out in many of the districts, where the seats will become wacant and although as at present constituted, the plan of party organization provides that in future the candidates for United States senator shall be nominated in State primaries the fear that this system may be changed is making the candidates active in endeavoring to secure piedges from those who in the latter event would be left free to support whomsoever they might choose.

C. this very quastro for maintaining the present State primary plan, there is great diversity of opinion. It is an open secret that Governor Montague, who is a strong candidate for Mr. Martin's seat, and whose fine canvass before the people in 1901 resulted in the 'nauguration of this new departure, is desirous of having all the Democratic people of the State pass directly upon his claims.

While Senator Martin is not known to have given any public expression to his views on the subject, those close to him in almost every section of the State are saying that the new system will prove both cumbersome and expensive, and that it would be better to return to the old mass-meeting and caucus nomination system.

IS GROWING LIVELY.

IS GROWING LIVELY, ut, apart from the State interest ch the above conditions will give to contest, the fact that county officers members of the House are to be sen vill give it a local touch, which be felt in every hamlet and precinct in the scaboard to beyond the mounts. Virginia people have always need great interest in their local often and when such a campaign is on, y discuss the merits of the candidates all occasions, and almost every one some favorite for whose election he ertakes to do a little missionary k.

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one end of the old Commonwealth to the other. It will be the last campaign that will ever be fought on the old court green, barring constitutional change, and the relic of the monthly County green, barring constitutional change, and the relic of the monthly County Court system, being one which is surrendered with such great reluctance by the country people, they will all turn out to watch its going out.

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The abolition of the County Court system has thrown a great many of the present judges into active politics and not a few of them have already announced themselves for one branch or the other of the Legislature. Others will stand for Commonwealth's Attorney, and still others will seeke even higher offices later on.

something in the suggestion. But whattended the County Courts are expected all over the State this summer and fall, prospects for a large crop of candidates doubt, between candidates for local offices and those for the Legislature from

# ||THE LABOR

An Annual Exodus of Virginia Farm Hands.

COLONIZE FOREIGN LABOR

The Pea-Crop Area Will Be Much Curtailed Next Year-Judge Mason Has Handsome Monument Erected Over His Mother's Remains

COMORN, VA., May 30.—The labor situation here has been becoming more and more serious each year since 1894, until it is now the most perplexing problem that confronts the farmer. For a number of years the wood and timber business afforded lucrative employment for the resident labor, and while this ludustry attracted hundreds of workingmen away from the farms, the farmers succeeded in procuring sufficient help during the busy crop season of each year.

Laborers could be induced to leave the service of the wood and timber-getters long enough to help the farmers cultivate and harvest their crops.

But as the supply of wood and timber was reduced and the business narrowed down in proportion, laboring men began to look in other directions for employment. At first a few dozen would leave here every spring and find work in the cities, on the railroads and at lumber mills up North until the approach of the following winter. Some of these obtained high wages, saved their earnings and bought homes here. The story of "high wages," coupled with a craving to "sea sights" in the large cities and about humber mills and railroads in the Northern States, had an alluring effect, and each succeeding spring would witness the exodus of a larger number of laborers, until it came to pass, in the course of a few years, that a large percentage of the best laborers here would leave every spring before the crops could be pitched and remain away until after they were gathered and housed in the fail.

This annual exodus has all other local causes combined. It is simply impossible this season to hire labor at any price to do farm work. The comparatively few workingmen remaining here either have crops of their own, or are in the employment of the timber-getters. The time has come when a majority of the colored men here are averse to working on the farm, and an offer of higher wages during corp season is but little templation or inducement to them.

Some of the most public-spirited citizens of the Northern Neck are considering an each of the quit farming. SMALLER AREA.

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A smaller area will be sowed in peas here this season than for a number of years. Since 1836 pea-vine hay has grown in public favor, and hundreds of acres have been cultivated in black peas (cow peas) each year. The hay is regarded as very nutritious, and the stubble and roots have proven exceedingly beneficial to the soil. But pen-vine hay is very hard to handle and hard to keep where there is not ample barn-room, and for this reason it is not as popular as it was several years ago. The greatly reduced area this season, however, is due to the unfavorable weather conditions since Fobruary more than to any other cause. It was very late hefore the weather would admit of any kind of farm work, and before the corn crop could be planted the drought set in, and, consequently, it has not been possible, with the scarcity of labor, to prepare the soil and sow

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HANDSOME MONUMENT.

Judge John E. Mason, of this place, has just had a handsome monument erected at the grave of his mother. In the cemetery of St. John's Episcopal Church, at King George Courthouse.

It has been ascertained that the cattle of Mr. J. M. Henderson, at Cash Corner, near here, which caused so much excitement last week, were not poisoned, as was at first supposed. Several of the animals have died, and others will probably die, but the theory of poison has been exploded and Mr. Henderson has discovered the cause of the condition which naturally created so much uneasiness, etc.

Mr. Anthony Miffleton, one of King George's oldest citizens, whose lilness has been mentioned in this correspondence, continues in a critical condition, and there is but jittle hope of his recovery.

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Some sections of King George were treated to another mad dog sensation several days ago. A large hound affected with rabies visited a number of plantations and bit a good many dogs and oats before it could be killed.

Mr. R. H. Sorrell, of Washington, D. C., has engaged a gentieman here to contract for the erection of a very large barn on his farm near this place. The big structure is to be modern in every particular, and will be one of the largest buildings of its kind in this section of the country.

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It is thought that the coming summer's population of Colonial Beach will be more than twice as large as that of any former season in the history of the town. Nearly every cottage in the place has been engaged—those built this spring as well as those in use for some years, and a number of new ones are now in course of erection in order to supply the demand.

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opposed to it are the class who own just enough to have a shift for their crop. This is was assed hundreds of people in Lunenburg county to reduce their number of cattle to a much smaller amount, solely because the vast fields and forest that has heretofore been laying uncultivated and unfenced, has been protected by this law and the cattle that has been running at large is at present compelled to be fenced in and the crop is left outside instead of the cattle that has previously rosmed the woods.

Hefore this law was passed the clitzens who did not own one foot of land was the proud possessor of from one to ten head of cattle, and it was a great industry through this section.

Drove after drove of nice, fat beeves could be found alongside the numerous public highways, and Lunenburg had numerous cattle buyers who made it a husiness to ride from one farm house to another buying cattle for market, and the revenue derived from this by the small land-owners was a nice little sum. Every farm house, it mattered not how small, had a bountful supply of milk and butter, and this, too, was a large item to the moderate farmer. All kind of stock could be bought for inuch less than the present price but it is claimed that they were not half of the expense they are now.

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All of this was working smoothly for all parties up to about ten years ago, when the question of the no fence law began to grow more and more upon the farmers who held the bulk of the lands, and during the term of the Hon. Nat. Matthews in the Legislature, the Farmers' Alliance, which was at that time a strong organization in this county, took the matter up, and had the old free State to follow her sister counties and the law went through, but not without a strong fight by the poorer class of residents. It created a great uproar among this class, but when they did finally give up the hopes of having it repealed they bear in to prepare small pastures in which to inclose them and dispose of their surplus that they had on hand. But take the matter as it stands to-day, it is quite evident that the majority of the citizens of Lunenburg, who before on possed it, are satisfied that the passage and enforcement of this law was the best for it, a county at large, of course, there is not such a numerous supply of stock in the courty as large, the Question.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

MEHERRIN, VA. May 30.—A question that is often heard discussed among a group of citizens during a sojourn at any public place is whether or not the noteince law has benefited the people at the people of the county.

Strong argument can be heard both it is best for the people of the county are the large farm owners who have scores of against it. Those who have scores the large farm owners who have scores of acres of land that is heavily timely and unforced, and those who gard.

enforcement of this law, but the stock that is being raised is of a better breed, and demands more on the market. The uncultivated fields are in better condition by not being so closely grazed and the farms are being improved to a certain extent by their owners raising more grass upon which to feed their stock, that heretofore has been allowed to remain in the woods for weeks at a time without their owners even seeing them, is at present penned at night and as a result the pens are more numerous and kept in better condition, and more than double the amount of manure is raised which goes to help improve the farms During the time this stock was allowed to roam the woods it was a custom among the different owners to have a mark they could be identified, as it was made in the ear of their stock by which here to the arms are being kept in better condition and those who are adding more fences for their cattle are keeping those around their crops and the was discontinued has in the past week heer re-established at the heast week heer re-established at the manure place and by the same name with Mr. J. S. Shackleton as postmaster. This is and was a special route and has neverbeen very busy the past week taking advantage of the soason, and a few of them have planted out their entire crop advertised by the department for a contractor to carry this mail.

The farmers through this section have been very busy the past week taking advantage of the soason, and a few of them have planted out their entire crop of tobacco. Some of them did not have their land ready, but are busy preparing it and following it up very closely with planting, and as a result over half of the tobacco crop has been planted, t

MISS YOST PREST.

OF VASSAR SENIORS

Closing Exercises of Staunton
Military Academy—Drive
Whist Party.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

STAUNTON, VA., May 30.—Mrs. Thos.
Hogshead gave a delightful crab party
Wednesday evening of this week at her beautiful residence on Kaloramo Street, in honor of her sister, Miss Edith Timberlake. Drive whist was indulged in for the evening. Misses Louise Littig,
Lucie Bowles and Mary Turk tled, and in cutting for the prize Miss Lucie Bowles won.

After a delightful evening spent in the game, deliclous refreshments were served to the merry party. Among those pressure of the Strate of Horse Notes.

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### Brief Horse Notes.

C. L. Downs, who has quarters at the Richmond Bazaar, has sold to K. Fisher, who will drive her on the road, the bay mare Kitty B. 2:24 1-4, by Nutgóld, dam gelding Wharton, by Gregorian, 2::3 a-1, dam Gretna Green, by Aberdeen. Wharton could frot in 2:25 last season with limited handling and with proper development should learn to go much faster. The Hampton Roads Driving Park Association, Newport News, Va. have leased the driving park track and grounds there and will hold semi-monthly meetings during the racing season. The officers of the newly formed association are Dr. Lea Robinson, president; B. F. Toy, sectatary, and J. H. Caffee Sr., secretary. day,
Mr. G. I. Harris and Miss Laura
Thacker, both of this county, were married are Middlebrook Wednesday.

Miss Annie Bennett and Harry Ernest
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Melly McMath, by Hambletonian Down-ing, Mr. Downs has recently purchased from J. C. Smith the promising young gelding Wharton, by Gregorian, 2:22 3-4.